THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) There is no reservation for OBC candidates in promotion to Group 'B' posts. Reservation is provided for SC and ST candidates only. Pre-promotional mandatory coaching is provided only for SC and ST candidates.

Pending Railway Projects in A.P.

745. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount required to complete the projects that are pending in Andhra Pradesh, till March, 2001;

(b) the steps taken to pool resources so as to complete the projects within a fixed time-frame; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) The total amount required to complete the projects that are pending for want of required clearances in Andhra Pradesh is Rs. 343.5 crores as on 01.04.2001.

The amount required for completing ongoing Railway projects in Andhra Pradesh including those pending for clearances is Rs. 3289 crores as on 01.04.2001.

(b) These projects will be executed out of the budgetary support as well as internal generation of revenue by the Railways and will be progressed as per availability of resources.

(c) Does not arise.

Installation of Anti-Collision Device

746. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to stale:

(a) whether the Anti-Collision Device developed by the Research Development and Scientific Organisation, has passed the trail tests;